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PRESS RELEASE

DATE/TIME OF RELEASE: July 26th, 2007 1:30pm
DATE/TIME OF OCCURRENCE: July 26th, 2007 11:20am
NATURE OF CALL: Reported Airplane Crash
LOCATION OF CALL: Northwest of Carnelian Bay, California
RELEASED BY: Sergeant Bill Langton

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

On Thursday, July 26th, 2007 at approximately 11:20am, emergency personnel from the Sheriff's Department, North Tahoe Fire, CalStar, and CHP responded to a report of a possible airplane crash in the woods, northwest of Carnelian Bay on Lake Tahoe's North shore. A boater on the lake reported via cell phone seeing a airplane towing a glider near the south side of the Northstar Ski Resort. When the glider released, it appeared to the reporting party that the tow plane spiraled into the woods below. The glider continued to circle overhead.

Sheriff's personnel along with helicopters from CalStar and the California Highway Patrol responded to the remote area and conducted a ground and aerial search with negative results.

Local glider towing operations from Truckee, Minden and the Pyramid Lake area were contacted and no aircraft were missing or unaccounted for. "Soar Truckee", which operates from the Truckee-Tahoe Airport confirmed that they had towed a glider to that general area at about the same time as the call. Both that glider and the tow plane were safely on the ground.

The search was called off after it was determined that no aircraft were reported missing in the area, no emergency locator beacon signals were heard and nothing was found in an extensive aerial and ground search.

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